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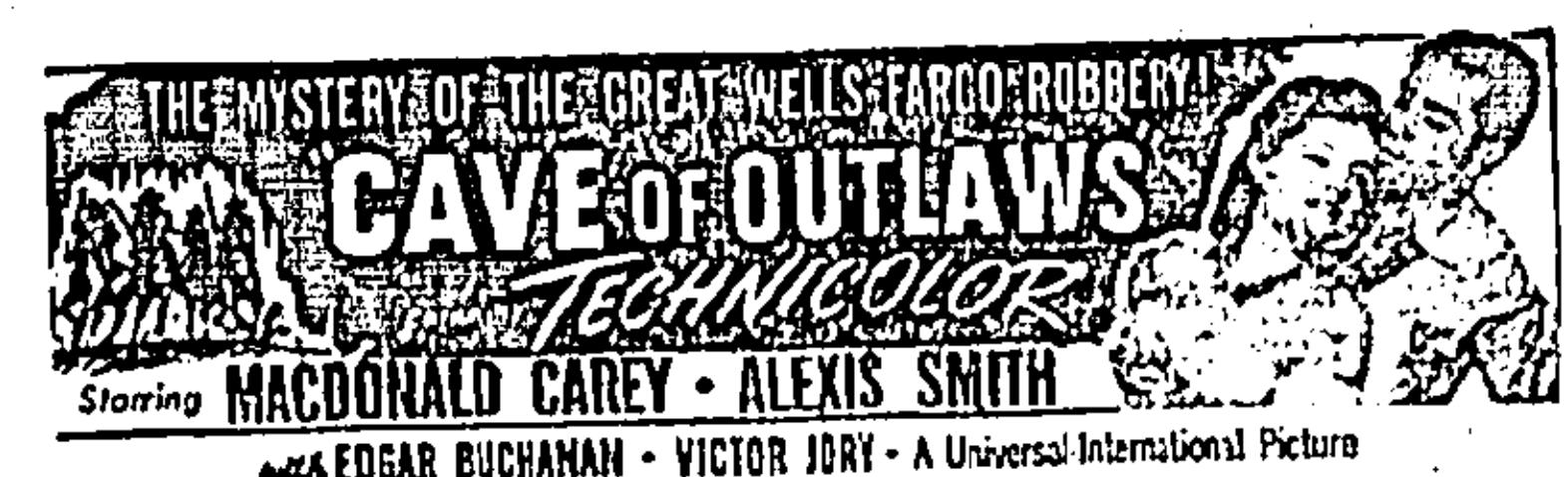
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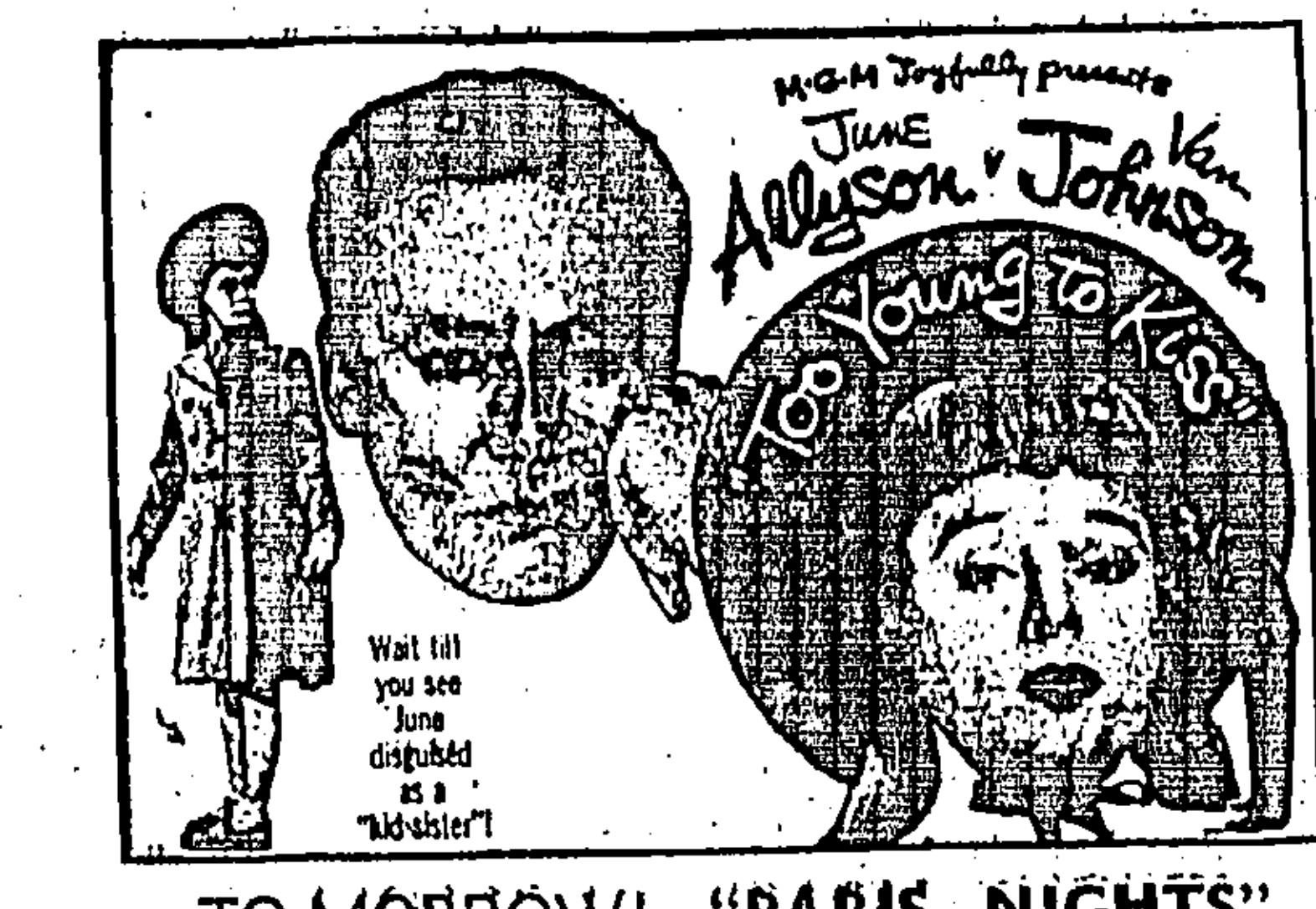
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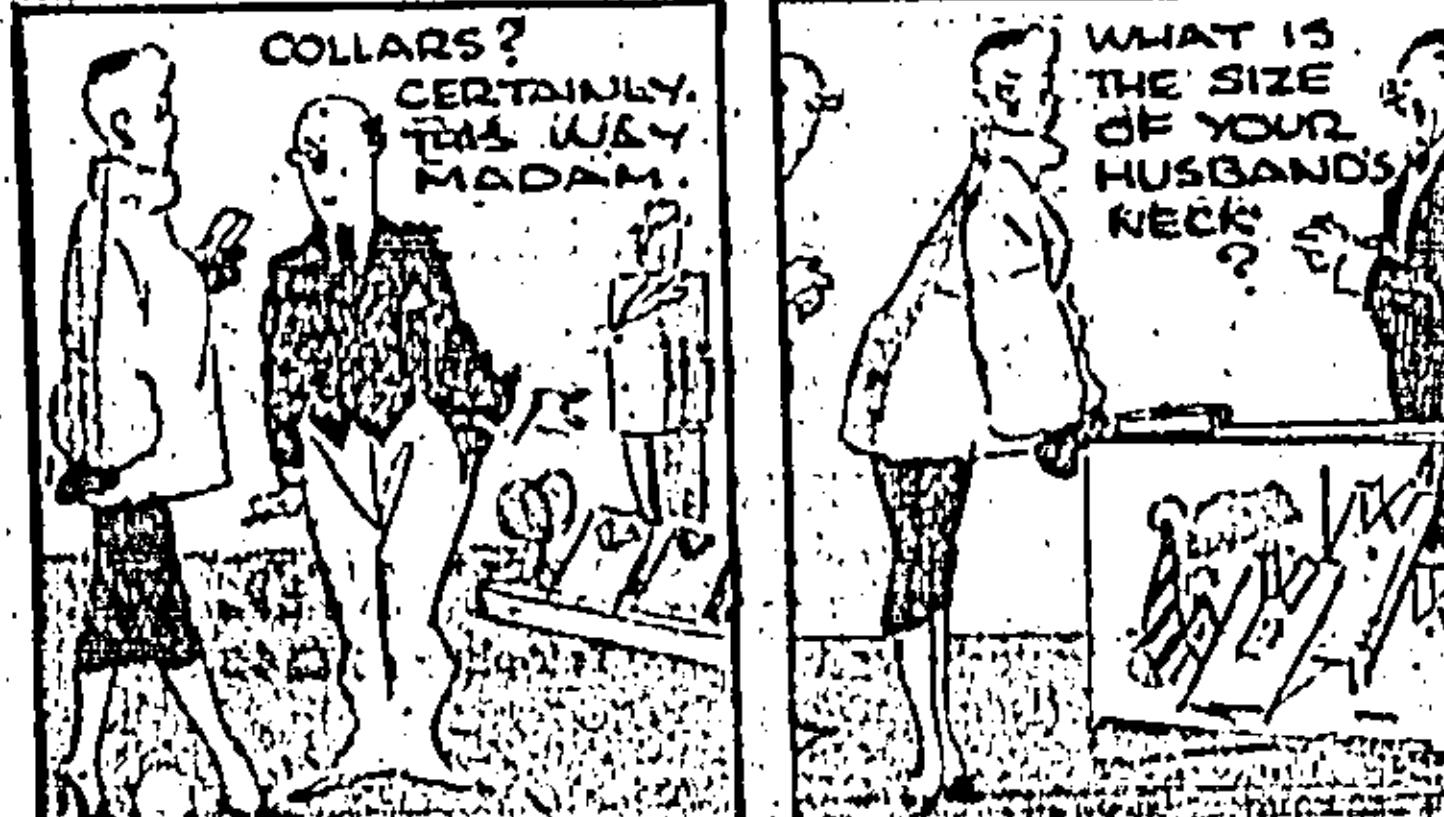
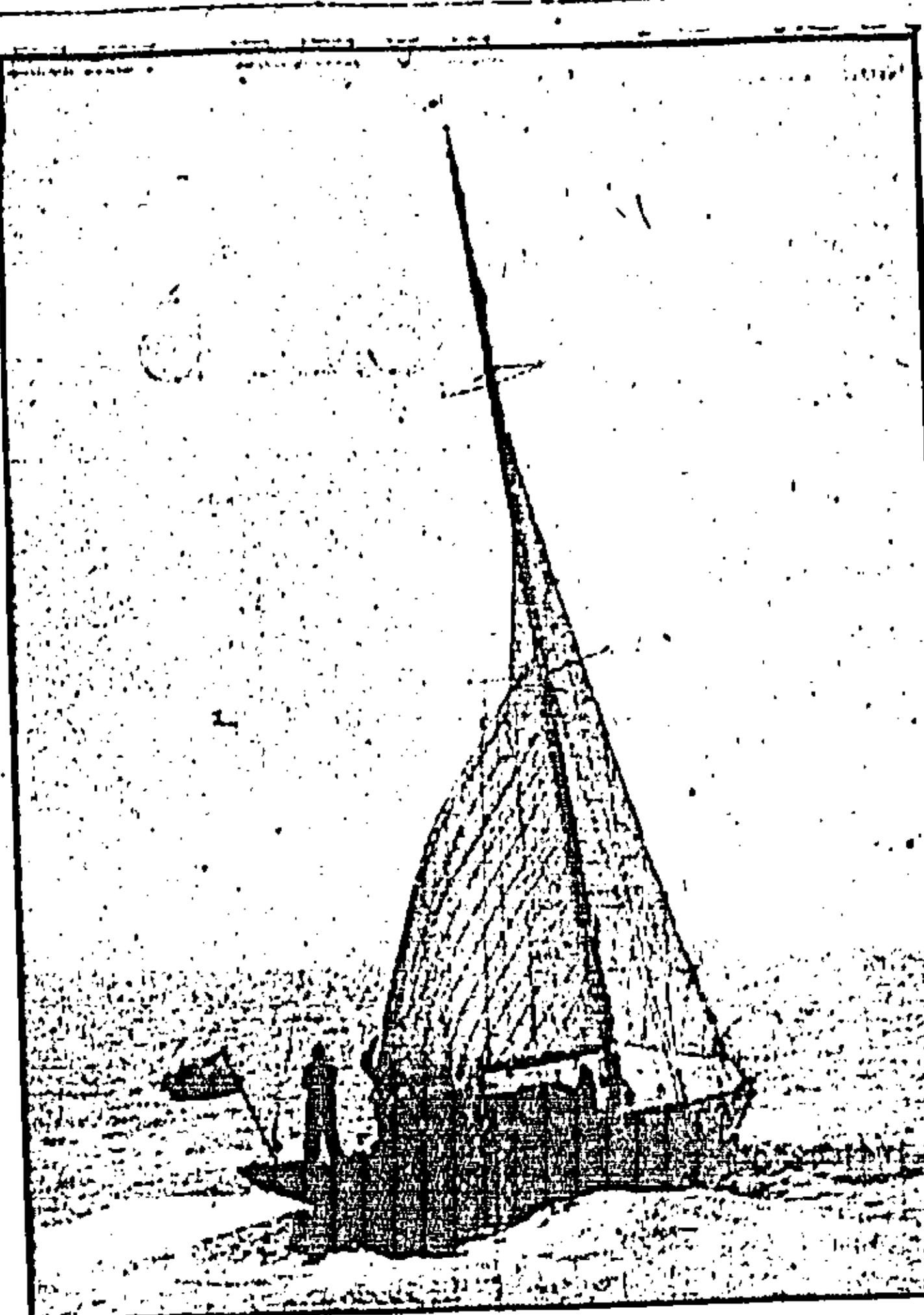
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TO-MORROW! "PARIS NIGHTS"

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French Rule Out Possibility
Of Offensive
By Vietminh
HEAVY LOSSES
IN TONKIN

The 57ft ex-German yacht Marabu being used by HMS Hornet at Gosport for racing set out last week to cross the Atlantic to Newport, Rhode Island. She is to compete in the race to Bermuda, sailed by naval officers on special leave, led by Lt.-Commander S. Brooks, DSC. (Reuterphoto).

Fate Depends On
Guinea Pigs

Thetford, Apr. 20. The fate of 160 Guernsey cattle belonging to Lord Ivagh at Chalkhall Farm, Elveden, near Thetford, Norfolk, depends on what happens to guinea pigs in the Ministry of Agriculture laboratories during the week-end.

The guinea pigs have been injected with scrapings taken from a bull suspected to be suffering from foot and mouth disease.

A Ministry of Agriculture official said today that if the disease was confirmed, the whole herd of 160 cattle would have to be destroyed.

Results of the test may not be known until Sunday night. — Reuter.

Lancashire
To Get
Contracts

Manchester, Apr. 20. Contracts for 4,000,000 yards of flannelette are to be placed with textile firms in a few days, it was stated in Manchester today.

The announcement followed discussions between Government officials and textile leaders on the allocation of between £20,000,000 and £25,000,000 in Government orders.

A statement after the meeting said: "Consideration was given to the procedure to be followed in tendering and placing contracts for Service materials. Tenders for first instalments are to be invited immediately."

Flannelette is used for blankets and pyjamas.

Lancashire will receive a smaller portion of the contracts than Yorkshire. — Reuter.

Jane Russell
Case Sequel

London, Apr. 20. Mrs. Hannah Kavanagh and her husband, Michael Kavanagh, are to answer summons of Bow Street Police Court on Thursday under the Adoption Act of 1950.

Their 20-month-old son, Tommy, went from the Kavanagh's house in South Lambeth, southeast London, to Hollywood last November with Miss Jane Russell, film actress.

The summons against the Kavanagh's alleged that they unlawfully did permit care and possession of an infant to be transferred. — Reuter.

BOYD ORR
SUGGESTION
TO RUSSIA"Admit Foreigners
To The Soviet"

London, Apr. 20.

Lord Boyd Orr, former head of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation, said today he had urged Moscow to admit 100,000 Britons and Americans to see Russia.

Back from the economic conference in the Soviet capital, where he was a member of the British group, he said, in an article in the Sunday Pictorial: "I suggested to some Russians that the Soviet Union should make a great gesture by offering visas to 100,000 people in Britain and America to be exchanged for visas for an equal number of Russians so that they could see conditions for themselves."

Lord Boyd Orr believed the Moscow Conference did more good than any harm it could have done.

Asked by the newspaper whether he thought there would be war with Russia in the next ten years, he replied: "It seems to be that with so much to do in their own country the Russians may really want to avoid war. It may well be that Russia is anxious for a long period of peace." — Reuter.

Iraqi Premier
To Make
Visit To Spain

Bagdad, Apr. 20. The Iraqi Prime Minister, Nuri Es Said, left here tonight for London to join the Regent, Emir Abdul Ilah, on a State visit to Spain next month.

The President of the Senate, Jamil Madali, and a former Foreign Minister, Fadil Jamill, will leave on Wednesday to join the mission.

Don Martin Artajo, Spanish Foreign Minister, met Nuri Es Said before he left for London. He also met the acting Foreign Minister, Shakki Al Wadi.

Don Artajo, accompanied by General Franco's daughter, the Marquise Carmen Villaverde, and her husband, is touring Middle East countries.

Early today he visited the Iraqi Staff College, where he was the guest of honour at luncheon. The Spanish mission will leave early tomorrow for Cairo. — Reuter.

Fancy choke



THE CHINA MAIL

MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1952.

French Rule Out Possibility
Of Offensive
By Vietminh
HEAVY LOSSES
IN TONKIN

Saigon, Apr. 20. The French Union command in Indo-China believes there is very little chance of the Vietminh rebels mounting an offensive in the near future because of their heavy losses in the last few months, a French army spokesman said tonight.

Twelve thousand regular Vietminh troops remain in the Tonkin delta, he added. Of these about 4,000 of the 316th Division were in the northern part and 8,000 of the 320th and 304th divisions in the southern part.

The Vietminh had at least the same number, probably more, in regional forces locally recruited but not attached to the regular Vietminh army.

The spokesman said the three-month battle for Hoabinh, which the French Union forces evacuated on February 14, wiped out the 312th Division and severely maimed the 308th.

Since then the Vietminh were believed to be resting the remnants and trying to build them up to full strength.

As a result of the operations, beginning at Crachin, on February 21, the 320th Division in the south had been reduced by 5,000 men from 4,500 normal 12,000 and the 304th Division in the same region was down to 3,000.

Chinese supplies, which before the Hoabinh battle had been coming in at the rate of 4,000 tons a month, were considerably reduced immediately afterwards but they may have increased again since.

NO EVIDENCE

The spokesman said there was still no evidence that Chinese were fighting on the Vietminh side.

Vietminh forces lost 300 killed and 109 prisoners in a two-day French campaign called "Operation Polo" 18 miles east of Hanoi, a French army communiqué announced tonight.

The operation, announced yesterday, was aimed at the Vietminh 316th Division.

Flying Noah's
Ark

London, Apr. 20. The largest collection of wild animals ever to fly the Atlantic — nearly 100 plus 160 birds — left London today by Pan-American Clipper for New York. They are bound for the Seattle Zoo.

The "Flying Noah's Ark" included two elephant calves, two tiger cubs, two leopards, eight bears, two tapirs, a black panther, 43 monkeys and 25 gibbons (a species of long-armed ape).

The animals are flying at 20,000 feet above the weather in a special pressurised cargo Clipper. The cost of their London to New York trip is more than £1,300. — Reuter.

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TO-DAY

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Desk-to-Desk
Cablegram

London's Lord Mayor, Sir Leslie Boyce, operates the new Desk-Fax instrument to transmit a message to Mayor Impellitteri of New York. The message inaugurated a service which enables businessmen to send and receive cables on their own desks.—Reuterphoto.

LEARNING FROM AMERICA

London, Apr. 20. British steel founders have increased production by 15 to 20 per cent since the first productivity team toured American steel founders in 1940.

This was stated today in a report, "Three Years Afterwards," issued by the Anglo-American Council on Production.

Though it would be many years before the full effect of expert team visits to study American methods could be assessed, there were already significant increases in productivity which are clearly in part the result of changes made in accordance with team recommendations.

The first "assessment report" concentrates on the British steel founding and drop forging industries, which both sent teams to America in 1940.

Until the recent restrictions in steel supplies, the drop-forging industry had increased production by about 10 per cent.—Reuter.

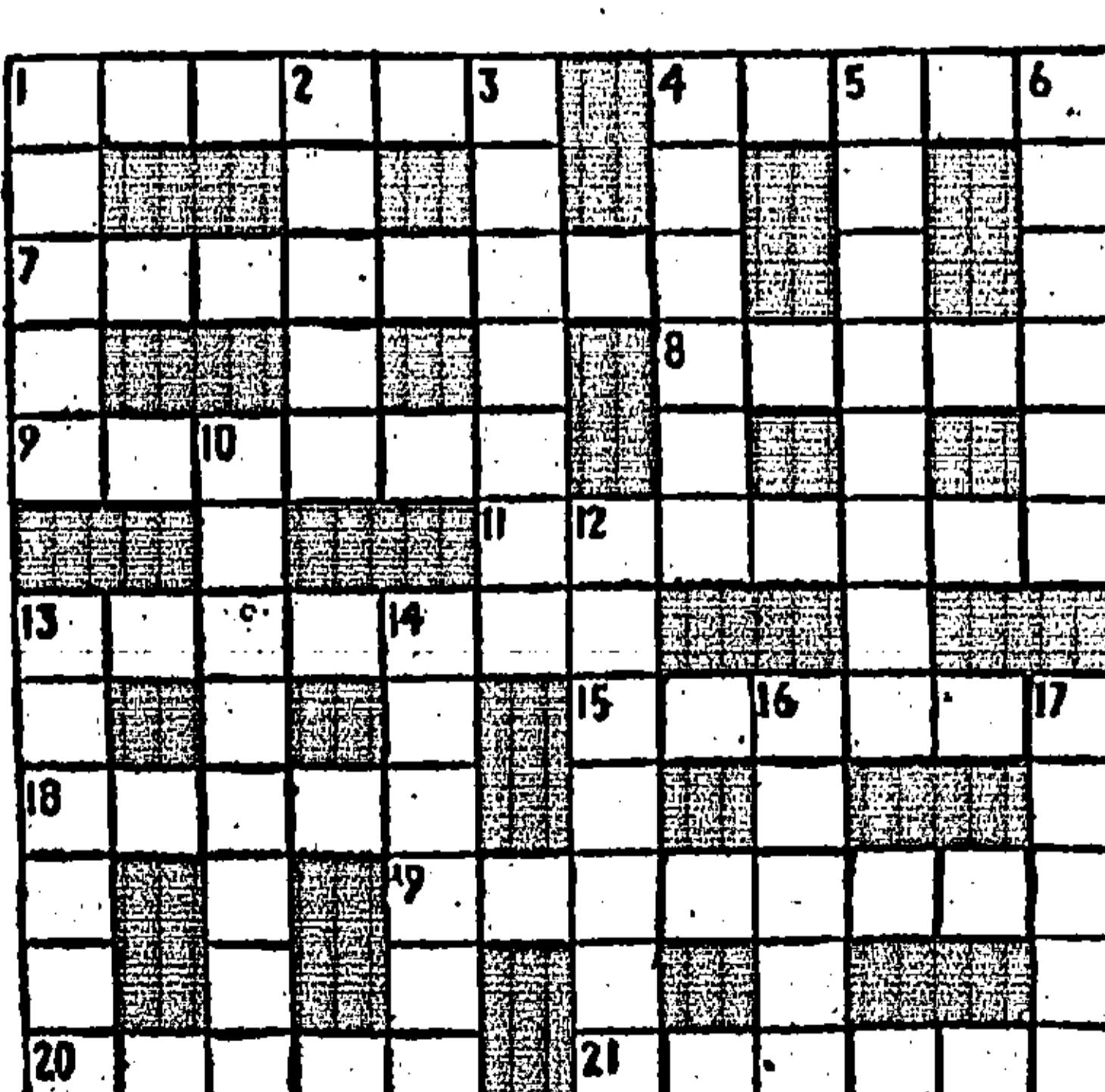
Drinking On Increase

London, Apr. 20. Britons are drinking less beer but apparently not less spirits, as 50 per cent more people were caught "under the influence" during 1950 than in 1945.

More than 45,500 fines for drunkenness were ordered in 1950 against 30,000 in 1945.

Statistics show that only one in every 10 persons found drunk in public is a woman. There were far fewer drunks in 1950 than in 1913 (considered a heavy year for charges of this sort).—France-Presse.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- Run away (10).
- Eject (5).
- Flower (8).
- Treatment (5).
- Venerate (6).
- Fors (7).
- Rust (7).
- Rule (6).
- Wrong (8).
- Accumulated wealth (8).
- Substantial (6).
- Worthless (6).
- Make difficulties (8).
- Similar (5).
- Go on one's way (7).
- Tolerate (6).
- Abode of bliss (8).
- Movable parts (8).
- Perpendicular (8).
- Leave uncurled for (7).
- Wants badly (6).
- Threw out (8).
- Wax match (5).
- Necessitous (5).

SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Aero: 1. Calm, 4. Longuld, 11. Clive, 12. Hilde, 14. Entered, 17. Adorn, 19. Recur, 22. Dispels, 20. Mete, 27. Lime, 28. Pitcher, 29. Aver, 30. Gear, 31. Amazons, 32. Rose, 33. Down, 3. Afraid, 3. Manager, 4. Leave, 5. Advent, 6. Gorde, 7. Ingile, 12. Hard, 13. Dogs, 15. Race, 16. Dire, 18. Allege, 20. Embark, 21. Utters, 23. Idiom, 24. Picks, 25. Sires.

TREATIES ENDING THE GERMAN OCCUPATION

Signing Expected In Bonn Next Month

Bonn, Apr. 20. Informed Allied sources said today that the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States plan to sign treaties ending the occupation of West Germany in Bonn on May 17.

Signature will take place in the office of the Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, who will sign for Germany.

The only condition is that remaining work on the treaties is finished by that date.

On the same day, the Ministers, according to present plans, will fly to The Hague where six members of the European defence community will sign the European Army treaty.

The treaties must be signed simultaneously as the occupation is being ended in exchange for German help in Western defence. But, as it is considered psychologically undesirable to sign the army treaty in Germany, the Ministers will travel to The Hague.

Both treaties will enter into force simultaneously when they are ratified by all the parliaments concerned, a process expected to last several months.

The U.S. Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, is expected in Europe on May 9. Between his arrival and the date planned for the treaty signature the Ministers expect to hold a final conference, probably in Paris, to endorse the work of the negotiators and tie up any loose points.

ONLY RISK

The only risk to the timetable is the unsolved division of West Germany's cash contribution to Western defence from her own troops and support of Allied troops stationed in Germany.

Dr Adenauer, and the High Commissioners tomorrow, began a week of almost non-stop negotiations on outstanding points in the contractual agreements. Their chief political advisers and other experts are to meet daily from Tuesday until the treaties are finished.

A formidable programme awaits them over the next three weeks.

The European army negotiations in Paris are not yet complete and a wide range of other points still require solution.—Reuter.

**AMERICAN BAN
ON LECTURE
UNDER ATTACK**

Klagenfurt, Apr. 20. The Austrian Secretary for the Interior, Herr Ferdinand Graf, today criticised the United States authorities in Austria for banning a lecture in Vienna last night on alleged American bacteriological warfare in Korea.

The ban, imposed by the American Deputy High Commissioner, led to clashes between Austrian police and 2,000 Communists, led by "peace partisans".

Herr Graf said it was difficult enough to maintain the unity of Austria. This task became more difficult when the Western Powers made mistakes.

"Matters of Austrian internal policy should be left to the Austrian security authorities and not be dealt with by the occupation powers," he said.

The United States authorities banned the lecture because they considered it a "sland" on America.

The lecture was to have been given by Graz University Professor Heinrich Grindelwein, a member of the International Association of Democratic Lawyers, which investigated the Communist bacteriological warfare charges against the United States forces in Korea.—Reuter.

British Businessmen Arrive In Peking

London, Apr. 20. Seven Britons who attended the Moscow international conference arrived in Peking today, according to a New China news agency despatch received in London.

One Australian and four Brazilians have also arrived.

They were welcomed at the airfield by Chinese officials, including representatives of the committee for the promotion of international trade and commerce.

During the Moscow talks, British business men, acting in a private capacity, concluded deals with the Chinese providing for an exchange of goods to the value of £10,000,000 either way.

The Britons who arrived in Peking today were Mr William Wynn, Secretary for Derbyshire of the National Union of Mineworkers; Mr John Charles Slater, clothing manufacturer from Yorkshire; Mr Alex Horsley, dairy producer; Mr William Maclelland of Gateshead, a retail merchant; Mr Albert Poukli, import and export merchant; Mr Jack Silver, cotton merchant; and Mr Wilfred King, metals and chemical producer.—Reuter.

WORKER DELEGATES

London, Apr. 20. A British workers' delegation is travelling to Peking where it will attend May Day celebrations.

The delegation, led by Frank Hayward, Secretary of the Werneth Lodge of the South Wales area of the National Union of Mineworkers, is being sent by the Sino-British Friendship Association.

It has been invited by the Chinese Labour Federation.—France-Presse.

Ike' Favours Gruenther

New York, Apr. 20. General Eisenhower considered his Chief of Staff, General Gruenther, an obvious choice to succeed him as Commander of the NATO forces, New York Times correspondent C. Sulzberger reported from Paris today.

M. Sulzberger said this was no secret to most of the Allied General Staff and was based on General Gruenther's knowledge of problems involved, his competence and his awareness of plans and capabilities to meet an emergency.

Mr Sulzberger said that Field Marshal Montgomery had told General Eisenhower he considered General Gruenther a logical choice and added that he would be delighted to serve under him.

This, Mr Sulzberger said, was a gracious tribute in view of Marshal Montgomery's great seniority.—Reuter.

Death Of Town Crier

Hastings, Apr. 20. Town crier of Hastings for 24 years, Henry Robinson has died at the age of 68.

In his official uniform and top hat, with a huge handbell changing, he was a popular figure with visitors to Hastings. He retired in 1948 because he said modern traffic noises placed too great a strain on his voice. Previous to winning the comicalism as town crier, Robinson was for 25 years in the Navy.—Reuter.

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Huge Increase In Population Probable

United Nations, Apr. 20. The world's population of about 2,400,000,000 may increase as much as 1,200,000,000 or 50 per cent in the next 30 years, according to United Nations estimates released tonight.

Such an increase depends on whether the world can produce enough food to maintain the fast population growth and avoid the catastrophe of a world war, the study said.

The article pointed out that the world's population today is over five times what it was 300 years ago. Since 1900 it has grown over 50 per cent.—United Press.

New Set-Up In Allied Air Forces

TWO GROUPS ESTABLISHED

Fontainebleau, Apr. 20. SHAPE's tactical air force contingents, previously under the direct operational control of General Lauris Norstad, Commander-in-chief, Allied Air Forces, Central Europe, will from today operate as two "Allied Tactical Air Forces" under British and American command.

Air Marshal Sir Robert Foster, previously commander of the British Second Tactical Air Force, will command the "Second Allied Tactical Air Force," with temporary headquarters at Bad Eilsen, British zone of Germany.

Air formations under his command include the British Second Tactical Air Force, the Netherlands Tactical Air Command, with Nos. 311 and 312 Squadrons of the Netherlands Air Force, and the No. 2 Belgian Wing, consisting of three squadrons of the Belgian Air Force.

Major-General Dean C. Strother (United States) former commander of the American 12th Air Force, will command the Fourth Allied Tactical Air Force, with headquarters in Lansberg, American zone of Germany.

His units will include the 12th United States Air Force, the 1st French Air Division, and a Royal Canadian Air Division, with several additional squadrons due to arrive later this year.

Air Marshal Sir Robert Foster will be responsible for support to Allied ground forces and air defence in the Northern sector, and General Strother for the central sector.

Both will be responsible to General Lauris Norstad, the Allied Air Force Commander-in-chief.—Reuter.

Radio Singer Dead

London, Apr. 20. Steve Conway, 31-year-old radio and variety singer, has died in hospital. His first broadcast was in "Variety Bandbox" in January 1945.—Reuter.

**STEELWORKERS TO BE
GIVEN PAY INCREASE**

Washington, Apr. 20. The Secretary of Commerce, Mr Charles Sawyer, said today that the CIO United Steelworkers definitely would be granted a wage increase but President Truman must make the final decision on the union shop.

Mr Sawyer, nominal head of the steel industry, said he had not yet decided how much the 500,000 steelworkers would get in wage rises. That decision would in a large measure be made by the President.

The Secretary denied, in a radio broadcast, that he had given the steel industry an "ultimatum" to accept the Wage Stabilisation Board's recommendations. He had tried to get the two sides together but delivered no ultimatum to anybody.

Mr Sawyer's statement followed a charge by Senator Paul Douglas (Democrat, Illinois) that President Truman had made "intemperate and exaggerated" charges about steel profits. But the Senator also criticised the industry for demanding a price rise of 12½ cents an hour in wages and 5½ cents in fringe benefits.

The Government will probably act on steel wages tomorrow or Tuesday barring settlement of the dispute.

Mr Sawyer refused to say whether he agreed with Mr Truman's decision to seize the industry but said he would follow the instructions of the Government as long as he was in the Cabinet.

He would "certainly not sit by and see our economy disintegrate" if the industry proved itself capable of meeting defence needs. "The only vital matter is that we continue to produce steel," United Press.

Republican Rivals Clash In Two States

TOMORROW'S PRIMARIES



New York, Apr. 20. General Eisenhower and Senator Robert Taft, leading rivals for the Republican presidential nomination, clash indirectly in two major primary elections on Tuesday in New York and Pennsylvania.

General Eisenhower's name is on both popularity ballots, Senator Taft on neither, but write-ins are allowed.

In neither State is a popular vote binding on delegates to the Republican national convention in Chicago and manoeuvres by politicians will mainly decide which way their support goes.

Senator Taft's supporters are claiming 20 of the 80 New York Republican delegates, leaving the General fairly certain of the other 70.

Governor Thomas Dewey of New York State is a strong Eisenhower backer.

In Pennsylvania, Governor John F. Blaurock is controlling some 35 of the State's 70 Republican delegates. He has not yet announced support for either General Eisenhower or Senator Taft.

HARRIMAN BACKED

On the Democratic side, Mr Avrill Harriman, latest contender for his Party's nomination, is already assured of a big bloc of 24 delegates in New York. No Democrats are officially entered in the Pennsylvania popularity contest.

Ten other States have primaries or conventions this week.

With the Republicans picking 224 delegates and the Democrats 168, in the coming week—a week-end press tabulation of the present strength showed Senator Taft with 200 delegates to General Eisenhower's 121.

These figures are based on delegates who have officially pledged their support and those who have informally indicated whom they favour.

HOPES OVER AHEAD

Senator Estes Kefauver is leading the Democratic race with 40 delegates. Senator Russell Long, 37, and Senator Humphrey, 23.

Senator Bruce Cabot, Lodge, General Eisenhower's national campaign manager, said yesterday that the General would win a clear cut majority of votes on the second ballot at the Republican national convention.

It was not impossible that the General would win on the first ballot, he added.

Senator Taft's campaign manager, David Ingalls, also claimed that his candidate would win nomination on the first or second ballot.—Reuter.

Union Attack On Budget

London, Apr. 20. The Chemical Workers' Union today called for the expansion of British trade with Commonwealth and Asian countries, based on long-term barter arrangements.

The National Executive of the Union, which represents about 22,000 workers, passed a resolution, noting with concern "the serious deterioration of the economic situation" and growing unemployment in industry.

Part of the blame for the situation rested with the uncertainty created by the Budget proposals, it said; part with "the gross mishandling of the Commonwealth economic conference, which led to arbitrary cuts in Sterling imports."—Reuter.

Tories' Move Attacked

London, Apr. 20. The former Trade Minister, Harold Wilson, who left the Labour Cabinet in sympathy with Aneurin Bevan, tonight called on the Churchill Government to check the proposed higher fares on Britain's railways as a device to avoid further disasters for the Conservatives in the municipal elections next month.

In the first part of these elections, they lost control of four important counties.

Mr Wilson said: "This manoeuvre will ensure losses to the State railways. If Mr Churchill is to halt the rise in fares and still pay railwaymen a living wage, he will have to subdivide the railways."—Reuter.



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THE NEW QUEEN'S DESIGNATION:

Scottish Nationalists Are Sure To Raise An Outcry

FORTNIGHTLY COMMENT

FROM LONDON BY

BEVERLEY BAXTER, M.P.

EXT year, probably in June, Queen Elizabeth will be crowned in Westminster Abbey. Once more we shall gaze upon the genius of the English for pageantry and hear the trumpets proclaim yet another Coronation in England's long story. I am aware that I have used the word "England" but have done so deliberately. As we say in Parliament "That point will be dealt with later."

If all goes well we shall see that grand old lady Queen Mary in a place of honour. We shall share the joy and the sadness of the Queen Mother. As for the Queen herself we shall wait

later.

for that supreme moment when the Archbishop of Canterbury will turn to the North, the West, the South and the East, declaring to each that this is our undoubted Queen, and four times will come the vibrant answer "God save Queen Elizabeth!"

Yet, he had hardly entered

Parliament before he was made a minister and was being touted as a future Prime Minister.

There was the immortal toast to Burns, the bringing in of the Haggis, the swirling of the pipes and the presentation of a glass of whisky to the chief piper. I would not have been surprised if the entire assembly had marched to Euston Station and taken the overnight train to Scotland, nevermore to return.

But did they? Not at all.

Their chauffeured limousines

were waiting outside to take

them to their homes in Berkeley

Square or Park Lane or Belgrave Square. They were chairmen of banks or insurance companies or some such institutions and had not the slightest intention of ever leaving London as long as they lived.

Eventually Mary quarrelled

with her own barons and threw

herself on the mercy of Elizabeth.

That wise Counsellor

Lord Burleigh, the head of the

Cecil family which has been ruling

England off and on ever

since (the Marquis of Salisbury,

the present head of the family,

is the Tory leader of the House

of Lords), demanded of Eliza-

beth a signed order for Mary's

execution.

the long claymores. I only

mention this to emphasize that

in the 16th century life was ex-

citing but brief.

But this indisputable fact re-

mains that the rivalry of Mary

and Elizabeth for the throne of

England became a danger to the

realm, and that Mary was a party

in various plots to assassinate

Elizabeth. The blood of good

men on either side was being

spilled, but I don't think we

should be unduly tender towards

the ladies in question merely be-

cause of their sex.

The

Scots do not deny the

existence of Elizabeth I but their

case is that she was the Queen

of England and reigned before

the Union. Therefore the ruling

Sovereign next year should

either be crowned Elizabeth I,

or Elizabeth I of Scotland,

or Elizabeth II of the United

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THE CHASE IS ON FOR AN ENGLAND CRICKET CAPTAIN —COMPTON OR HUTTON?

By PETER DITTON

The chase is on. And I am not talking about horses either. This particular hunt is in search for an England cricket captain for the Test series against India this summer.

F. R. Brown, the burly, former Surrey amateur, now captain of Northamptonshire and England's leader in the last 13 Tests—not counting the recent MCC visit to India—has said he wishes to relinquish the captaincy at the earliest possible moment.

He will not be available for the Test series against Australia in 1953 and wants to make way in order that a younger man may be groomed for the job.

The Pavilion At Lord's Is A Treasure House Of Priceless Cricket Souvenirs

London, Apr. 20.

Every cricket enthusiast makes a point of at least one visit to Lord's, home of the Marylebone Cricket Club since the latter part of the 18th Century and they are well aware of the great games which have taken place on the famous ground.

Comparatively few, however, are fortunate enough to enter the pavilion, arrayed with priceless souvenirs of cricket through the ages.

During the winter generous gifts have added further lustre to the building. Sir Jordam Colman has presented the Club with the balance of his father's collection of cricket pictures, as illustrated in "The Noble Game of Cricket," and the Fijian Cricket Association have sent a ceremonial whale's tooth.

Scrapbooks from the Netherlands containing records of English county and Test cricket are another presentation and they may well be kept in a new showcase received from the Egyptians, commemorating their tour of England last summer.

Treasures arrive at the cricket headquarters every year. Little wonder that those who do enter the precincts of the best known pavilion in the world contend that an interesting afternoon can be spent without watching a ball bowled.

FINANCIAL PROBLEMS

Although Lord's houses all these treasures, increasing difficulties financial problems are pointed out by the MCC and last season his form was not sufficient to warrant his inclusion in the Tests against South Africa.

Insole, who has appeared only once for England—in the Third Test against the West Indies at Nottingham two years ago—is a fine fieldman and a useful batsman. But on performance he could not command a regular place in an England side.

Against India, who will be weakened by the absence, in League cricket, of Vinoo Mankad, their outstanding all-rounder, England can afford to experiment. But it would not be a wise policy to appoint a captain who will not be eligible for the Tests against Australia in 1953.

In the meantime, the Committee will exercise the strictest economy in all expenditure, subject to the interests of cricket being safeguarded and to the efficient maintenance of the property of the Club.

"At the moment it is difficult to form an accurate estimate of the gap between income and expenditure which will have to be bridged in the future and until this can be done, the Committee do not wish to have recourse to such drastic measures as increasing subscriptions or imposing charges for privileges hitherto enjoyed free by members.

"In view of this, consideration will have to be given to the possibility of appointing, for the first time, a professional captain. The nearest approach yet to this move was when Denis Compton was made vice-captain of the MCC in Australia.

Providing he does not suffer any recurrence of his old knee injury, Compton would obviously come up for consideration again. In fact the choice would seem to rest between him and Yorkshire's Len Hutton.

It is in Compton's favour that he has already captained Middlesex on several occasions whereas Hutton has always played under an amateur. But the Yorkshireman is probably the shrewdest tactician in the game and his amateur captains have been pleased to seek his advice on the field.

At 35, Hutton has several years of first-class cricket left in his and is the number one batsman on whom rests England's hope of regaining the Ashes from Australia.

It will be a complete break from tradition to appoint a professional but if England is to stand any chance of success that break may have to be made.

(London Express Service)

France Beats Portugal 3-0 At Soccer

Paris, Apr. 20.

France beat Portugal 3-0 in an international soccer match here today.

France led by 1-0 at half-time.

Over 40,000 spectators, including several hundred Portuguese, saw a rugged game which was below international standard.

The weather was sunny and the ground in good condition.

Tackling was hard and many free kicks were awarded.

In the first half one player on each side retired hurt.

The French centre-forward, Grumelot, whose nose was broken, was replaced by Rene Alpied, while Portugal's right-half, Joaquin, sprained his ankle. Andante, Pedrola taking his place.

Alpied scored France's first goal after 14 minutes. Andre Strappe netted the second and third after 67 and 87 minutes. —Reuter.

SEDMAN & DROBNY IN ROME FINAL

Rome, Apr. 20.

Frank Siedman, the Australian No. 1 tennis player, and Jaroslav Drobny (Egypt) will meet tomorrow in the Men's Singles final of the Italian International Lawn Tennis Tournament here.

Both had fairly easy semi-final victories today.

Siedman beat Kurt Nielsen, the Danish international, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4, and Drobny beat the former Wimbledon Champion, Budie Patti (America), 6-1, 6-0, 7-5.

In the all-British Women's Singles final today, Miss Susan Partridge beat Miss Pat Harrison 6-3, 7-5.—Reuter.

Five Spectators Killed In Racing Car Crash

Dayton, Ohio, Apr. 20.

A speeding racer careened into a packed grandstand at Dayton's speedway south of here today, killing at least five persons and injuring 30 to 35 others, the Montgomery County sheriffs office reported.

Officers said the driver, identified as Gordon Read of Van Nuys, California, apparently lost control of the car and crashed through the guard rail. They said Read's head was severed.—United Press.

Geoff Duke Wins At San Remo

San Remo, Apr. 20.

England's World Motor Cycling Champion, Geoff Duke, who had a successful day at Silverstone, Northamptonshire, yesterday, flew to the Italian Riviera today and entered the 500cc. class race in the San Remo trophy races.

Riding a Norton, Duke covered the 55 laps in 1 hr. 54 mins. 42 secs., an average speed of 97.118 mph.

The Italian ace, Paganini, riding a Gilera, was second in 1 hr. 54 mins. 38 secs., and third came another Italian, Orlando Valdramid (Gilera) in 1 hr. 54 mins. 42 secs.—Reuter.

During his two years as England's captain, Brown has served his country well. His performance both with bat and ball against Australia in the series down under, eighteen months ago, was with Hutton's batting and Bedser's bowling the redeeming feature of an otherwise disappointing tour.

TWO MORE SEASONS

But at 41 his days of top class cricket are obviously numbered. He has said he hopes to play two more seasons for Northamptonshire and presumably will retire at the end of 1953.

Finding an amateur successor is going to be extremely difficult. Since the war the MCC have been fortunate enough to be able to call upon players such as Norman Yardley, F. G. Mann and Brown himself. But each year the number of first-class amateur players becomes fewer. The possible candidates this summer can be counted on the fingers of one hand.

First there is Nigel Howard, who led the MCC on their recent visit to India. But Howard did not have a very successful tour from a personal playing point of view and in the closing stages was struck with pleurisy. He is not even certain he will be fit to play for Lancashire this summer.

This leaves Reg. Simpson of Nottinghamshire, W. J. Edrich of Middlesex and Doug Insole of Essex. Of these, Simpson, who has already toured South Africa with Brown, seems to be the best proposition. He is a fine hard wicket batsman who has already gained valuable experience by captaining No. 1.

Edrich does not appear to be in favour with the MCC and last season his form was not sufficient to warrant his inclusion in the Tests against South Africa.

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International Horse Show At Rome

Rome, Apr. 20.

The Italian rider, Lieutenant Piero Dinzio, on Flanno, today won the Pinco Prize at the Rome International Horse Show with a faultless round in 1 min. 16.6 secs.

Running him close was Don Francisco Goyada Gramagnano (Spain) on Vergel, also with no faults, but in a slower time of 1 min. 18.3 secs.

Third came Herr Victor Moritz (Switzerland) on Figaro, with no faults, in 1 min. 19.1 secs.

Fourth was Captain Alberto Larraguibel (France), on Fugitive, with no faults, in 1 min. 21.1 secs., and fifth was Jorgueta Dorola (France), on Aligorne, with no faults, in 1 min. 22.3 secs.

(London Express Service)

Cricketers Not To Be Blamed

London, Apr. 20.

In the opinion of F. R. Brown England Test captain, players should not be blamed for the dullness of County cricket.

Speaking at the annual meeting of the Midlands Club Cricket Conference in Birmingham, he said: "If faster wickets were prepared, there would be more attacking bowlers and more attractive stroke play from batsmen."

The six obstacles of the courses were rated to a height of over 6 feet by the last round which only Chigurro cleared cleanly.—Reuter.

ENGLAND'S BEST



Rosalind Rowe, one of the 18-year-old table tennis twins, reached the final of the women's Singles in the English Open Table Tennis Championships at Wembley Stadium. She was beaten in the final by Linda Werl of Austria.



Peggy Franks, the English international, competing at Wembley.—Central Press Photos.

The Penholder Grip Is Coming Back

Says ARCHIE QUICK

Top-class table tennis has turned full circle. When the game emerged from its ping-pong chrysalis, the polite drawing-room penholder grip was discarded and the bat was gripped by the Barnums of this world with the same hold as the lawn tennis racket which was held by the Tildens.

Now, thanks to the sensational success of the Japanese in the World Championships at Bombay, we are back to the penholder grip. In the English National Championships at the Wembley Empire Pool several competitors shyly, tentatively experimented with the new-old grip but not with any outstanding success, and, as Victor Barina said: "It will be some time before they will be used again extensively in major competitions."

One who tried it was the Gold Coast student, Kweku Hudson, but after reaching the second round of the Men's Singles he was peremptorily dismissed by the English International, Geoff Harrower, who himself lost in the next round to another English International, Arthur Miller.

How this wonderful trio of Hungarian "musketeers" has dispersed! All Budapest born, Barina is now a nationalised Englishman and lives in Harrow, Middlesex. Bellak resides in New York and Szabados in Gloucestershire, who beat him in straight sets.

I understand the next World Championships have been provisionally allotted to Bucharest, but if it is not possible to stage them in Rumania they may be held once again in London—at Wembley, of course.

The popularity of the game does not wane. The huge Empire Pool was filled to capacity every night of the week for the championships. Not a seat being available for the two final nights weeks beforehand.

The riders will rest here until Tuesday when they embark on a 172-kilometre stage.—Reuter.

The Postwar Generation Of Great Rugger Players Is Passing Rapidly Away

Says PETER LOVEGROVE

It was strange to see Ireland battling in the snow blizzard against England at Twickenham on March 29 without the familiar figure of their phenomenal hooker, Karl Mullen of Old Belvedere.

Karl, one of the greatest experts at getting the ball back the game has ever known, had been associated in all Ireland's great postwar triumphs, had earned 25 successive caps and led the green jerseys on 18 occasions, and the British Isles touring side in New Zealand and Australia in the summer of 1950.

Now, at long last, he has given way to a younger man, R. Roe, of Trinity College, Dublin, and however sad it is to have to record the disappearance of a great player, it is pleasant to note that the newcomer looks a most worthy successor to the maestro.

Mullen's departure from the International scene coincides with the probable disappearance of a number of other stars, and prompts me to reflect on the shorness of an International's exacting career.

O'BRIEN IS RETIRING

Mullen's successor as the Irish captain, that storming lock forward, Des O'Brien of Cardiff, whose inspired generalship enabled the famous Welsh club to run the Springboks so close, has announced that he is retiring at the end of the season.

In Wales, they are saying that John Gwynn, who led the Principality to two Triple Crowns and is taking up an appointment at Bromsgrove School in Worcestershire, will also fade from top-class rugby. Others to hang up their rugger boots are Ivor Preece (Coventry) and W. K. T. Moore (Leicester), both of whom have made a number of appearances for England. Indeed, the immediate postwar generation of great players is passing rapidly away.

Scotland, who have now lost seven successive Internationals, have only one member of the 1948 side still in its ranks, W. I. D. Elliott, the tall, powerfully-built sheep farmer with the great loping stride. He has missed only one international—owing to injury—through those seven years, and as he is only 28 we may still see him hurling himself into the fray with all his immensity for a few more seasons.

Wales has lost those great outsiders Haydn Turner, Billy Cleaver, Jackie Matthews and Bleddyn Williams, who made Cardiff the greatest club side in the world in 1947, but they still field three men who helped to share the championship title with England six years ago—Ken Jones, that remarkable right-winger from Newport, Rees Stephens, the whole-hearted Neath skipper, and pack-leader, and Bob Evans, the Newport captain and wing-forward.

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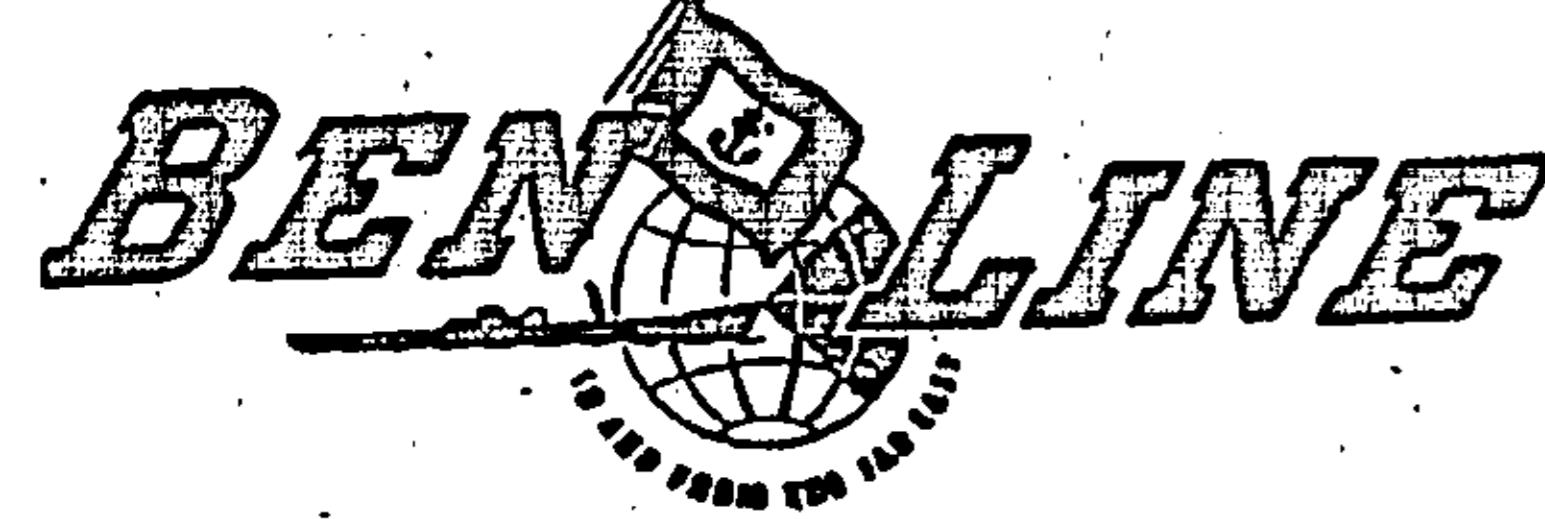
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Lieut. Howlett shot dead two of five bandits his platoon killed in a 20-minute battle after pursuing them over hills jungle country.—Reuters.

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

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Emporium 33.54

COTTONS 1.50

MISCELLANEOUS Entertainment 10.10

Clearances
For Jap
Shipping

Tokyo, Apr. 20.

The Japanese Ministry of Transportation has received a memorandum from the Transportation Section Headquarters on post-occupation procedures for Japanese shipping.

According to the note, Japanese ships will need no specific procedures in entering ports of countries that have already granted blanket clearance to Japanese vessels.

It also stated that it does not matter whether these countries have signed and ratified the Japanese peace treaty or not.

According to the Ministry of Transportation, 40 countries have accorded Japanese shipping vessels blanket clearances.

On the other hand, the note stated that Japanese shipowners will have to seek entrance approval in advance from representatives or organs stationed in Japan for those countries which have not issued blanket clearances.—France-Press.

Jap Industrial Mission Ends

Paris, Apr. 20.

A delegation of Japanese industrialists left New Delhi last night for Tokyo, according to a report from the Indian Information Service released this morning.

The delegation had been touring India for the past five weeks.

The leader of the delegation declared that the visit had contributed to a better understanding between Japan and India and would become the base of future co-operation.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates: U.S. dollar per £1 15.05
Bank note (per £1) 15.05
Indonesia guilder (per 100) 5.00
Stam (talis) (per 100) 20.50
Singapore (Straits) 1.75
PIC piastre (per 100) 12.50

MENACE TO UK EXPORTS

US Industry Appeal For Higher Duties

Frank Alarm Expressed By The British Government

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

London, Apr. 20.

The British Government has now added its own official protest to those made recently by British exporters at the increasing number of American manufacturers who are seeking protection against foreign competition.

American traders have invoked the "escape clause" in the Trade Agreements Extension Act of 1951 to apply for higher tariff rates against imported motor-cycles, bicycles, chinaware, tobacco, pipes and wood screws.

If they are successful great harm would be done to a valuable British export trade, with obvious consequences for our balance of payments position with the dollar area.

The British Government is frankly alarmed by these moves. It shares the view of British manufacturers who, it says, are perturbed by the mounting evidence that any marked success in selling their goods in the United States will be countered by applications from United States industry for further protection and fear that some at least of these applications may not be granted.

The text of its memorandum to the State Department was published in London this week.

It admits that it is premature to assume that relief will be granted in the cases now under review but points out that there are "obvious grounds for anxiety."

It reminds the State Department that the Governments of both the United States and the United Kingdom have taken the view that it was essential, both for economic and political reasons, that the dependence of the United Kingdom on external aid should be ended as rapidly as possible.

The obvious alternative to external aid is the development of trade between the United Kingdom and the United States, and this has been the hope on which much of our effort to correct our serious balance of payments deficit has been built.

DIRECT COMPETITION

Extension of trade between this country and the United States, however, must obviously involve British goods in direct competition with American industry, and this competition will increase as our efforts grow more successful.

It was the fear that our efforts to expand trade with the dollar area would be frustrated by attempts to raise a tariff barrier against successful British imports into America that prompted Britain to make the protest.

The Government's strong views on this matter are made clear in its memorandum to the State Department.

"It becomes a question," it says, "whether, should the fears prove to be justified, the United Kingdom's effort to pay its way by earning dollars on a fair competitive basis can be maintained."

"Should it fail, the economic policies of the United States, as well as of the United Kingdom, would be frustrated and the ability of the United Kingdom to play its necessary part in the Western alliance would be weakened."

PRESSURE EXERTED

The first case to be decided by the American Tariff Commission is that of the motor-cycle trade.

Manufacture of motor-cycles in the United States is in the hands of one firm which has applied for an increase in the present 10 per cent duty to 40 per cent and for the establishment of an import quota based on 10 per cent of the domestic production in 1950.

The arguments have now been heard and the British respondents are reported to have made out a good case in their favour.

Observing on the spot at first formed the opinion that the Commission was against giving any relief to American manufacturers though now it is believed they may have to yield slightly under the pressure exerted on them by members of Congress and others.

Their final decision may, therefore, be in favour of the applicants but only to the extent of granting a five per cent increase in the duty on imported motor-cycles.

POLITICS ENTER

The broad issue at stake, however, is not entirely dependent on economic arguments. Politics enter into it, too.

Though the State Department has shown itself to be almost as worried as the British Government about the recent growth in the number of applications for protection, the strong views held in some sections of the Republican Party on matters affecting tariff policy cannot be lightly dismissed in this presidential election year.

Commenting on this aspect of the tariff issue, the "Investors' Chronicle" says that the only fact we can face today is that

ROYAL INTEROCEAN LINES

SAILINGS

"TIJWANG"	May 2nd	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TASMAN"	May 7th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIJWONDER"	May 11th	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"TRAIT"	May 10th	Japan, Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUGHEED"	May 16th	Japan, Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TUVS"	May 21st	Japan, Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIKAMPEK"	May 21st	Japan, Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TAHMAN"	June 2nd	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"TIJWANGI"	June 9th	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TEGELBERG"	June 13th	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIJBOEDAB"	June 16th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIJUWATI"	July 2nd	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIJWANG"	July 6th	Manila, Singapore, Penang, R. I., S. Africa, Mauritius, Singapore, Djakarta & Manila
"TIJWALENGKA"	July 8th	Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"TIJWANGI"	July 10th	Manila, Singapore, Mauritius, S. Africa & N. America
"TIJWONDER"	July 28th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar

ARRIVALS

"TIJWANGI"	April 28th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, S. America, S. Africa, Mauritius, Singapore, Djakarta & Manila
"TEGELBERG"	May 5th	Singapore, Djakarta, Semarang, Surabaya & Macassar
"EASTWAY"	May 11th	Djakarta, Belawan Bell & Singapore, Surabaya, Surabaya & Macassar, Djakarta & Singapore

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SAILINGS TO EUROPE

"KIELDRECHT"	May 10th
"AGTEREKER"	June 10th
"MILITAN"	July 7th

"HOOGKEERK"	Aug. 7th
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INDEPENDENT STATE OF MALAYA INCLUDING S'PORE IS ADVOCATED

Singapore, Apr. 21.

It is not practicable for either the 10,000,000 Chinese in Southeast Asia or the 2,500,000 Chinese in Malaya, which may well become 20,000,000 and 5,000,000 respectively in 30 years' time, to go back to China.

This was stated by Mr Tan Siew-sin, publicity Chairman of the Malayan Chinese Association when he urged the creation of an independent state of Malaya, inclusive of Singapore, within the British Commonwealth of Nations, in which all those who regard this country as their home and object of their loyalty should be afforded equality of status and opportunity irrespective of race, colour or creed.

Scientists & Secretary Mysteriously Disappear

From Arthur Cook

Cairo, Apr. 20.

Three German scientists and their beautiful blonde secretary who were flown in to equip Egypt's army with rocket guns have disappeared.

They slipped away from Cairo after security police had raided their workshops and made arrests on charges of assisting a foreign Power.

Tonight the police are hunting one of the scientists, Dr Frasoldati. But the other two men and girl are believed to have got out of the country.

There were 12 men in the rocket team when the Egyptian Government flew them into Cairo under false papers. All the party came from the Physical Research Institute near Hamburg. Egyptians of the Waldorf Government installed them in a factory of the Egyptian Car and Engineering Company, which is the most modern engineering plant in Egypt and works under orders for the Ministry of War and Marine.

The Germans had a free hand and were paid about \$2,000 a year salary.

TRouble STARTS

But trouble started and within eight months nine of the scientists had left. Their administrative chief, Dr Fuellner remained. Aged 55, he was a mysterious figure who ruled in the Prussian manner. He worked for Hitler's missile research unit at Peenemuende. With him was 30-year-old Renate Wiegels — blonde and super-smart. The names of Dr Fuellner and this secretary had been linked in a reported romance.

The research went on — until the Egyptian police swooped and for four days held the remaining three men and Fraulein Wiegels under arrest, accusing them of selling rocket secrets out of the country.

Later under house arrest, Dr Fuellner engaged a lawyer and began to sue the Egyptian Government for £3,500. When he disappeared two weeks ago, it was believed that he had been put on a plane for Germany. A few days ago Fraulein Wiegels and another of the scientists were quietly flown out of the country. But Dr Frasoldati has disappeared, unaccounted for.

Warning his fellow countrymen against the Communist menace, Sir Cheng Lock said: "We are all in the same boat. If the boat sinks we shall all sink with it." — United Press.

Horse Runs Away With Cart

Ipswich, Apr. 20.

A horse drawing an empty cart galloped for half a mile through the main shopping streets of Ipswich today, was grabbed by a police constable, P. Gardiner, who was dragged 30 yards, but was unable to stop the animal.

Finally, the cart collided with a car, breaking the shafts and the horse was secured.

The constable was treated for concussion and then insisted on returning to his beat. — Reuter.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

We have to find integral solutions to the equation $m^2 + n^2$ where m , n are the numbers of boys and girls in a given family. The equation becomes:

$(m^2 + n^2)/2 = (m-1)$

There are therefore three integral

solutions:

$m = 1, n = 1$

$m = 2, n = 2$

so the youngsters must be distributed as follows:

Boys Girls

P: 1 1

M: 2 2

Harry has two sisters.

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SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



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"We're asking you to donate something special for our church bazaar, Mr. Jones—two pounds of hamburger!"

THREW SAND AT POLICE

A 13-year-old boy, whose father was a sand-cooler, was ordered six strokes of the cane this morning for throwing sand and stone at a Police officer.

The Police officer, Chan Chung, testified this morning that at about 3.50 p.m. yesterday he was on hawker raid in Jardine Bazaar near the market. He was about to start up a Police van when a defendant began throwing sand and stone at him.

He alighted from the van and caught the boy.

The father of defendant appeared in Court this morning and told the Court that his son had always been naughty.

Rescue Hopes Abandoned

Bangalore, Apr. 20. Hopes of rescuing 20 workers entombed after a mine collapse in Mysore yesterday have been abandoned, the company manager said today.

Mr Arthur Taylor, manager of the company operating the Champion Reef mine in the Kolar goldfields, said that though the accident was serious the damage done to the mine was small.

Nine others were injured. Rescue parties could not reach the spot where the workers were trapped until tonight 32 hours after the collapse. — Reuter.

Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6.00. Programme Summary: 6.02 Children's Half Hour presented by Elizabeth Ann (Studio); 6.15 Portuguese Hall (Studio); 6.20 Popular Orchestral Selections; 7.30 United Nations Album; 7.45 Artist of the Week—Victor De Los Angeles (Sporano); 8.50, 9.00, 9.15 Bill Johnson sings; 8.30 "I like what I like" presented by Peggy Bynon (Studio); 9.00, 9.15 The Music of Eric Coates; 9.30 The Music of Eric Coates; 10.00 Concerto No. 2 in G Minor for Piano & Orchestra Op. 22 (Saint-Saens); Moura Lympany (Piano); 10.30 Chanson Francois and Henri Salvador; 10.45 Claude Debussy; 10.55 Dvorak; 11.00 Radio News Read (London Relay); 11.15 Goodnight (Music); 11.20 Weather Report; 11.30 The Queen; 11.30, Close Down.

MONDAY, APRIL 21

By Air:

Japan, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.

Finnair, 11 p.m., S.W.A.L.

Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

By Surface:

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

Macao, 12.30 p.m., 6 p.m., as Lee Hong Kong, 3 p.m., as Elizabeth.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

By Air:

Indo-China (Tonkin only), 8 a.m., via C.P.A.

Finnair, 11 a.m., C.A.T.

Indonesia, France, French North & West Africa, 10.30 a.m., Air France.

Siang, Burma, India, Pakistan, Europe, 12.30 p.m., B.O.A.C.

Normandy, Japan, 3 p.m., Thai Airways.

By Surface:

Macao, 12.30 p.m., 6 p.m., as Lee Hong Kong.

China, 12.30 p.m., 6 p.m., as Lee Hong Kong.

Wednesday, APRIL 23

By Air:

Malaya, Ceylon, W. Pakistan, Bahrain, Iraq, Britain, Europe.

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A.

Canada, 8 a.m., P.A.C.

Formosa, 8 a.m., C.A.T.

New Zealand, 3 p.m., P.A.A.

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 8 p.m., C.P.A.

Japan, 9 p.m., B.O.A.C.

Formosa, 9 p.m., H.K. Airways.

By Surface:

Macao, 12.30 p.m., 6 p.m., as Lee Hong Kong.

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m., train via Canton.

N. Borneo, 9 a.m., as New Sang.

Siang, 9 a.m., as Shantou.

Formosa, 2 p.m., as Fukien.

THURSDAY, APRIL 24

By Air:

Siang, Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain, Europe.

8 a.m., B.O.A.C.

By Surface:

Macao, 12.30 p.m., 6 p.m., as Lee Hong Kong.

China, People's Republic, 9 a.m., train via Canton.

N. Borneo, 9 a.m., as New Sang.

Siang, 9 a.m., as Shantou.

Formosa, 2 p.m., as Fukien.

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